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Trudovak Unit

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1. Trudovak unit [redacted] was stationed at the Bezmer airfield from May to October 1949 when members of this unit were given indefinite leave. This unit was approximately of company size.

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2. [redacted] officers in this unit:

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- a. Senior First Lieutenant Ganchev (fnu), commander of Trudovak unit [redacted]

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- b. First Lieutenant Kosev (fnu), platoon leader in Trudovak unit [redacted]

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Bezmer Airfield

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3. During the summer of 1949, approximately 1000 Trudovaks were engaged in the construction of a runway at the Bezmer airfield. No civilians were employed in this project.

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4. [redacted] the runway was to be 3000 meters long and 80-100 meters wide. The runway was floored with large concrete blocks. One-centimeter intervals left between adjacent blocks were filled with pitch.

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5. At the time of this construction work, only a cement depot existed at the site. Workers were billeted in tents.

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6. Trudovak unit was engaged in construction work at the following places:

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a. December 1949 to Spring 1950 - Pomorie;

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b. Spring 1950 to Spring 1951 - Bukhovo village, Sredets (now Grudovo) Okoliya;¹

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c. Spring 1951 - Dolno Ezerovo village, Burgas Okoliya;

d. Summer 1951 - Balchik; and

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e. September to December 1951 - Gradets (N 44-02, E 22-45), Gumzovo (N 44-05, E 22-45), and Voynitsa (N 43-57, E 22-42) villages, Vidin Okoliya.

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7. The above construction works consisted of the following:

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a. Standard infantry trenches located 50 meters from the seashore at Pomorie, 100 meters east, south and west of Bukhovo village, 2000 meters west of Dolno Ezerovo village and 1000 meters west of Voynitsa village; and

b. Underground brick shelters near Gradets, Gumzovo, Voynitsa and Balchik.

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8. officers of Trudovak unit

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a. Senior First Lieutenant Marinov (fnu), company commander while the unit was stationed at Pomorie and Bukhovo

b. First Lieutenant Khristov (fnu), replaced Marinov while the unit was stationed at Bukhovo

c. First Lieutenant Chobanov (fnu), company commander while the unit was located in Dolno Ezerovo village

9. Members of this unit were billeted in rented rooms in the village nearest to the construction site. A clothing depot was established at each site.

1. Comment: Probably a reference to Golyamo Bukhovo (N 42-12, E 27-11).

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